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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on April 24, 2002, please amend
the application as follows:

In the claims, please amend Claims 1 and 27 as follows:

CLEAN VERSION OF AMENDED CLAIMS PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. 121

(c)(1)(i):

1. A laminate comprising
a liquid water resistant and water vapor permeable functional layer,
and at least one leather layer having an outer surface and an inner
surface,
wherein the leather layer is openly hydrophobicized and
is laminated with its inner surface unmediatedly onto one side of the
functional layer,
the laminate having a water vapor transmission resistance (Ret) of less
than 600×10^{-3} (m² mbar)/W and a crumple flex durability of at least 50,000
cycles.

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